Docket 2024.4 PATENT

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Rusing, et al

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For: METHOD FOR THE CULTIVATION OF MICROORGANISMS OF THE GENUS THRAUSTOCHYTRIALES BY USING AN OPTIMIZED LOW SALT MEDIUM

VIA EFS

## AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This response is being filed in reply to the Office Action dated September 29, 2009. Accompanying this Amendment is a request for a two-month extension of time and the fees associated therewith.

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